GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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PRIMARY/SECONDARY HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to augment primary health care systems and empower secondary health care systems;

(b) if so, the strategies or plans formulated by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the assistance of NGOs /foreign countries have been sought for the purpose ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. A National Rural Health Care Mission (NRHM) has been launched in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to ensure improved access to Primary Healthcare Services throughout the country, especially to the poor women and children. The core strategies include strengthening of village level health planning; leadership of Panchayati Raj Institutions in managing public health programmes; intersectoral convergence; decentralized district level planning; Accredited Social Health Activist at village level; upgrading CHCs to Indian Public Health Standards; and integration of multiple Programmes and Societies of Health & Family Welfare for improved synergy at operational level.

(c) &(d): The NGOs have been consulted in finalizing the strategy of the Mission.